

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office action dated 9/17/2010 has been received and carefully considered. By this amendment, the Claims remain unchanged. After entry of this Amendment, Claims 1-14 will be pending and claims 15-20 will be withdrawn. In view of these amendments and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration.

Restriction/Election

The Office considered the claims of the present application to be directed to 2 patentably distinct inventions. Specifically, the Examiner required election of a single invention, where the first invention is drawn to a cryogenic pipeline (Group I, claims 1-14), and where the second invention is drawn to a method of coupling first and second pipelines (Group II, claims 15-20).

The applicant respectfully disagrees. Nevertheless, the applicant **elects without traverse Group I**, reading on **claims 1-14**. Claims 15-20 are withdrawn without prejudice.

Request For Allowance

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application, with claims 15-20 being withdrawn. The applicant requests allowance of all pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,
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